

Public Service Commissioner to Tour Enbridge's Berthold Facility

North Dakota Public Service Commissioner Kevin Cramer will inspect Enbridge Pipeline's Berthold Station after a briefing by officials from Berthold Farmers Elevator. The Berthold Station is a critical asset in the North Dakota Pipeline system. It is unique in its relationship to the local elevator in that employees at the grain handling facility also load oil cars at the adjacent Enbridge facility.

Commissioner Cramer carries the Pipeline Portfolio on the PSC and said all Enbridge permit and certificate applications have been processed and orders issued, although he expects more in the future. The Berthold Station has expanded a couple of times in the last few years and the PSC has conducted numerous public hearings on the facility.

"With all outstanding issues resolved, it is a good time for me to get on the ground and see the facility up close," said Cramer, "I am looking forward to the briefings and tour by both grain elevator and the pipeline company."

The briefing is scheduled to begin at 10:30 Friday, August 3rd at the Berthold Farmers Elevator offices with the tour to follow. Commissioner Cramer will be accompanied by PSC employees from their Public Utilities and Legal Divisions.

The crude oil pipeline is 330 miles long beginning in Minot and ending in Clearwater, Minnesota. Enbridge employs about 6,900 people in Canada and the United States.